

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 244

By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Stephen Hickson, 2011
Valedictorian of Lebanon High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Stephen Hickson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2011 graduating class at Lebanon High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Hickson has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Stephen has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in several worthwhile extracurricular activities, including Student Government Association, Model United Nations, and Quizbowl ; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, he has endeavored to serve his fellow citizens by tutoring in math, volunteering at the Tennessee State Museum, and joining efforts to restore his community after a tornado in 2009; and

WHEREAS, this remarkable young gentleman is a valuable member of his school's varsity tennis team and marching band; and

WHEREAS, Stephen's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his father, Andy Hickson, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2011 Lebanon High School Valedictorian, Stephen Hickson, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.